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My Future Favorite Job
Location to be determined...

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Software Engineer\Full-Stack Developer
or something along those lines...

To the hiring team, who will soon make an awesome discovery... 😊

I graduated with an Applied Baccalaureate of Science in Computer Science from Western Oregon University on June 13th, 2020. We spent our entire senior year in Software Engineering I, II, & III; working in assigned teams on a comprehensive software design and development project from inception through construction & delivery, in preparation for joining a professional development team in a meaningful way.

That Senior\Capstone project showed me just how fulfilling it is to work at creating software\web applications that are smoothly functional & responsive, intuitive and enjoyable for the user, plus aesthetically appealing. Equally important, it showed me just how much I loved collaborating with my team-mates and interacting with our faculty advisor, who acted as Product Owner (among other roles).

Team Nerdvana had a lot of fun together working on our project, Petopia, even when we were up against challenges; genuinely enjoyed one another's company, and always had each other's backs. What *had* been "homework" turned into something fun, that I genuinely looked forward to every day. It was also fun interacting with classmates on other teams, sharing technical help as well as moral support!

Now, I'm excited to find my place in the workforce where I can once again be part of a sharp, tight, enthusiastic, dogged team; that knows how to have fun and get along -- just like Team Nerdvana. I can't wait to be part of a development team again, working on bringing the coolest web-based applications and/or other software to life -- working on engineering, coding, or preferably both.

I've found that I especially like working on the user interface, making things nice: smoothly responsive; cleanly functional, doing everything the user needs and wants; intuitive to navigate and use; and that makes the user happy just to look at and be there -- that robustly fulfills the project vision and mission. That said, with my organizing dynamic, I enjoy working on database development too!

Throughout my college career, I have been taught -- or picked up on the fly -- a number of languages, frameworks, and development tools... and more importantly, how to figure new things out, solving whatever challenge comes up in the development process. I learn most quickly working with someone who's already experienced, experimenting with working examples; but quickly fly on my own once getting the lay of the land!

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